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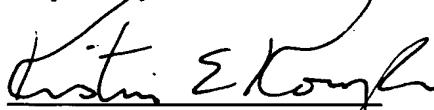
COMMUNICATION REGARDING U.S.S.N. 09/494585

This Communication and a Petition for a one month extension of time under 35 U.S.C. 136 is filed in response to the Notice of Appeal dated October 6, 2004, in USSN 09/494,585, and further in response to the Final Office Action mailed April 7, 2004, and the Advisory Action mailed August 25, 2004. The enclosed Petition contains a request to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0311 for the \$60.00 fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1). Upon extension, this paper is timely filed by January 6, 2005.

Applicants respectfully file the enclosed Continuing Application claiming pendency to the above mentioned patent application, wherein new claims are submitted for consideration. A favorable examination of the claims is requested.

No additional fees are believed due at this time. However, the Commissioner may charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-557 CON (CURA-57 CON).

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